



Acadia
Center

Envisioning a clean
energy future for all.





Acadia Center helps forge the way to the clean energy future we all deserve.

Grounded in impactful data analysis, inclusive partnerships and collaboration, we fight for economic and environmental policies that will have the greatest impact on carbon emissions for our region.

60% REDUCTION

in carbon emissions from power plants in states participating in the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) from 2000 to 2021

\$14.8 BILLION IN ENERGY BILL SAVINGS

resulting from RGGI-funded investments in energy efficiency, weatherization and clean energy





We all deserve a livable climate. Period. Acadia Center takes a bold, holistic approach to get us there.

Together with policymakers, environmental justice leaders, consumer advocates and donors, we can build a forward-thinking energy system:

CLEAN

- Carbon-free
- Independent from fossil fuels
- Modern

CONSUMER-FRIENDLY

- Easy to understand
- With a choice of energy sources
- Regulated to benefit users

EQUITABLE

- Provides accessible, affordable, clean transit
- Makes clean energy and energy efficiency available for all homes

LIVABLE

- Maintains or improves air quality
- Allows communities to thrive
- Protects natural resources

How we achieve the clean energy future for all:

RESEARCH

Our analysts produce reliable data that lead to ambitious and achievable solutions for the clean energy future.



ADVOCATE

Our influential policy advocates and communications professionals start and join conversations that raise awareness of and push for next-generation solutions.



IMPLEMENT

Our expert staff form strategic alliances and engage all stakeholders – consumers, government, business and environmental justice groups – to ensure long-term results.





EnergyVision 2030

Transitioning to a Low-Emissions Energy System in the Northeast

Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont

Transitioning to a Low-Emissions Energy System by 2030

BOLSTERING CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES



OVER \$2 BILLION PER YEAR

is being invested in improving the energy efficiency of our homes and businesses, and making them healthier places to live and work

OVER \$6 BILLION PER YEAR

in consumer, economic and health benefits resulting from these energy savings programs

RESEARCH

An unparalleled climate research team keeps us at the forefront.

Acadia Center has decades of accomplishments at the intersection of data, policy and advocacy, which is why key decision-makers **look to us for guidance.**

We're a trusted partner in the clean energy revolution.

With insight forged from decades-long relationships across government, grassroots organizations, industry, advocates and communities, Acadia Center opens pathways to **systemic, big picture solutions that go further** to advance the clean energy economy.

SAFER, CLEANER ALTERNATIVES TO GAS

Rhode Island's Aquidneck Island now has cleaner options than fossil fuels

MASSACHUSETTS COMMITS TO OFFSHORE WIND

so 400,000 homes will soon be powered by wind



IMPLEMENT

We build consensus across sectors for greater impact and lasting results.

Acadia Center encourages **broad-based support** for strong energy policies by aligning public health, economic, environmental and consumer interests. We stay **deeply engaged** to ensure that the results advance our region's clean energy future.

MODERNIZE THE GRID

by helping states successfully update utility regulations to support a modern, equitable energy system

PUT CONSUMERS FIRST

by championing clean heating initiatives in the region to reduce fuel costs and improve health and safety

ADVANCE CLIMATE JUSTICE

by developing carbon reduction targets, collaborating with resident advisory groups and policy recommendations that lead to equitable carbon-free transitions for cities such as Providence, RI



Join us in building the Northeast's clean energy future.

SIGN UP

Visit acadiacenter.org/join to receive updates on our work and the latest developments in clean energy progress for the Northeast.

DONATE

Your gift at acadiacenter.org helps us provide fact-based solutions to the climate challenge, advocate for the strongest policies and see them through to proper implementation.

PARTNER

We make complex climate data accessible to the public, and welcome partner opportunities to amplify the best solutions across the Northeast. Please contact info@acadiacenter.org if we can help your organization, department or community.



IMPACT

STATE-WIDE SWITCH

Acadia Center successfully advocated for robust fuel switching incentives via utility energy efficiency programs in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Maine.

LOWERING DEPENDENCY ON FOSSIL GAS

From preparing reports like “The Declining Role of Natural Gas Power in New England” to obtaining funding to electrify our homes and businesses with clean energy to providing incisive expertise on the actual climate and consumer implications of alternative fuels like “renewable natural gas”, we are comprehensively influencing the region to select the cleanest and most consumer-beneficial choices in building a safe climate future.

MAKING OUR ENERGY SYSTEM MORE RESPONSIVE

We created a groundbreaking framework called RESPECT which will refocus billions of dollars in the energy system to better achieve consumer, climate and equity goals. RESPECT has already influenced new laws in Maine and we’ll continue to press for these large-scale reforms in the rest of the Northeast.

CALLING FOR INCLUSIVE ACCESS IN GOVERNMENT

We promote greater transparency in government so that diverse consumer, labor, environmental, business and environmental justice voices are included in crucial decisions. The impact is significant: the regions’ efficiency programs led to the highest savings level and per capita spending in the nation as we work with others to advance access across all aspects of the energy system.

Wirecutter

“A heat pump is probably the biggest thing that consumers can do to help fight the climate crisis,” said Amy Boyd, Vice President, Climate & Clean Energy Policy.”

– A Heat Pump Might Be Right for Your Home. Here’s Everything to Know
Wirecutter (NY Times)

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“Will it still have impacts? Absolutely,’ Melissa Birchard, Director: Clean Energy & Grid Transition, says. ‘And I can imagine that there might be environmental justice communities or indigenous communities that we will need to listen to as the process moves forward. But by reducing the on-land impacts, we reduce impacts on those communities as well.’”

– As Offshore Wind Plans Grow, So Does the Need for Transmission
WBUR

The Washington Post

“There’s an energy price spike coming this winter that’s due to our overdependence on natural gas,’ Kyle Murray, Senior Advocate and Massachusetts Program Director, said. ‘Had we pursued more clean energy, we could’ve avoided some of these issues’”

– Three Governor’s Races that Really Matter for Climate Policy
The Washington Post

“For over twenty years, Acadia Center’s focus on research, large scale solutions and working towards long-term visions of change has spurred action to build a climate-safe, clean energy future that benefits all.”

— Daniel Sosland,
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